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## MORE DELAY TODAY

A Big Washout on the I. C. Ties up Traffic.

The Roads Are More Passable Today But Are Still in a Bad Condition.

## THE DAMAGE GROWS

The most serious washout on the Illinois Central is between Hickory and Boaz stations, on the Fulton district of the road, and this morning three trains, two fast cannonball passengers and one accommodation passenger were tied up at Boaz and Mayfield until the washout can be repaired.

The washout was caused by the rampage on which Mayfield creek has gone. This creek is not subject to swift rising, as are other creeks, and it required some little time for the great volume of water to swell the stream to such a size that the railroad tracks were washed out. The washout happened last night early and the fast train coming from Memphis and due into Paducah at 1:30 was reported six hours late at the outset. The dispatchers kept reporting it later until this morning at day break the train was reported eight hours late. At 8 o'clock it was reported ten hours late and the morning accommodation train, due into Paducah at 7:45 is behind it and did not arrive until half an hour later than the fast passenger. The No. 103, from Louisville to Memphis, due into Paducah at 3:30 was tied up at Boaz Station for many hours, being unable to get over the washout until the same had been repaired. All freight trains were likewise delayed and matters in railroad circles came to a standstill from early last night until this morning late.

Last night a telegram from an emergency crew was received here from the train dispatchers' office in Princeton. The Big Clifty bridge, a bridge about 62 miles this side of Louisville, was reported about to wash away and a crew was sent out from Paducah on a special train with several car loads of cinders to strengthen and ballast the bridge. For a time it looked as if the bridge would go any way but at last reports it was still sound but the men were still working heroically to save it.

The washouts below Fulton, between Fulton and Memphis, and those between Memphis and the southern terminals, caused the regular No. 102, the fast Memphis and Louisville passenger train due into Paducah at 11:30 yesterday to be annulled when it reached Memphis.

The officials of the south end started a train out of Fulton as 102 to accommodate the trade between that city and Louisville. It was nearly one hour late.

On the Louisville division there were no real washouts but in many places the water stood so high over the tracks that it was impossible to send a train through it. This trouble was experienced the greatest near Claxton and it was some time before the trains could pass. No. 121, the Louisville and Fulton accommodation train due into Paducah at 3:45 was several hours late and did not arrive until 9 o'clock last night. The fast south bound passenger train got in 16 minutes later. It was due at 7:04

and was only two hours late.

On the south end the most serious trouble was found in the caving in of the 75 foot cut at Ripley. This fell in and covered the track for many feet. A large force of workmen are working on it now to clear away the dirt and put the track in order again.

Superintendent A. Philbrick, of the Louisville division of the I. C., arrived last night from Louisville to look after his division. He has suffered comparatively little on his division. Trainmaster T. A. Banks is also in the city today looking after the trains. His wife accompanied him here.

The street cars here have been greatly handicapped by the heavy rainfall and this morning the mud and debris on the tracks caused several derailments. Two cars on the Rowlandtown line were derailed and for a time the service to the depot was badly damaged. The car repairers from the car shed were sent out to replace the cars on the tracks. The mud in many places has been washed over the tracks until they are completely covered.

A telephone message from Woodville this morning reported the damage in that vicinity not very heavy. The roads seem to have been damaged little by the rains except from the washing away of several crossings and small bridges. The creeks were so high yesterday that the mail carriers were unable to bring any mail, and up until this morning no mail had been received at Woodville.

At Hazlewood the water was reported higher than records have heretofore shown. Humphreys creek went wild and many logs and pieces of timber that had been cut were washed away. The water backed over fields and completely submerged them.

Hinkleville reports much damage. One iron bridge near that was reported badly damaged but still sound enough to be used. The roads are reported in pretty good condition but many crossings and small bridges have been washed away.

Later reports from Boaz station show that there are three miles of track completely submerged and the railroad men can not even transfer passengers from one train to another. The No. 104 and 103 and 122 were still at last reports tied up at Mayfield and Boaz in a deadlock, being unable to get past. The Louisville division officials are here and have arranged to run a train out of Paducah as No. 102 which will be unable to get past the Ripley cave in.

The little damage done the I. C. telegraph wires has been repaired and the road will lose little from this source. There were a few business wires down yesterday but the linemen repaired the breaks immediately and the company operators were little handicapped by the breaks.

There have been few mails today, and the postoffice forces are enjoying something of a vacation. There have been few in, in fact, since Saturday. The county roads are snoco that there are few mails from the county, and the railroad trains are running so irregularly that only a few mails have been brought in this way.

Even the steamboat men, who were complaining of low water only a short time ago, are beginning to complain because the rivers are getting so high that many of the landings are under water and they cannot land.

Manager A. L. Joynes, of the Cumberland Telephone company, reports that the damage to his lines caused by the heavy rains, was slight and that all defects have been remedied. There were a few long distance wires broken and grounded but the linemen worked hard and got the wires in trim again within a day's time.

**HEAD INJURED**  
SERIOUS CONDITION OF AN ILLINOIS CENTRAL SECTION HAND

F. Holloway, of Princeton, was brought to the city last night and placed in the railroad hospital for treatment for lunacy.

Holloway is a section man in the employ of the I. C. and on the 2d of the month fell off a hand car and was injured about the head. The wound healed but it seems that his brain has been impaired as he is wild and is so violent at times that he has to be handcuffed and tied down.

## A LULL IN HOSTILITIES.

Venezuela Asks For Arbitration—Guns Silenced In Last Engagement.

NO EFFORT TO ARBITRATE.

London, Dec. 16—Replying to a question in the house of commons today, Under Foreign Secretary Cranborne said that no attempt had been made by Great Britain to refer the dispute with Venezuela to arbitration.

GUNS SOON SILENCED.

Puerto Cabello, Dec. 16—Following the bombardment of Fort Solana and the Castle Libertador, which lasted forty-five minutes, British marines from the cruiser Charybdis landed and took possession of the castle. The fortress was almost demolished, and the commander of Castle Libertador has been taken prisoner.

At 7 o'clock the Charybdis and the Vineta arrived here, searching for Venezuelan gunboats. The two cruisers sent their boats into the inner port, but finding no gunboats, the boats returned. The captain of the British merchant steamer Topaz, which was seized by the mob here last Wednesday, then visited the British commodore on board the Charybdis and lodged a protest against the violation of his ship. The British captain returned an hour later with a detachment of fifty marines, who took charge of the Topaz.

The British commodore then sent a message to the authorities at Puerto Cabello demanding immediate satisfaction for the action of the mob in having hauled down the British flag from the Topaz, saying that if this satisfaction was not forthcoming in two hours, at 5 o'clock, the fortress and the custom house would be bombarded. On receipt of this demand the authorities sent a message to President Castro asking for instructions.

A committee of merchants of Puerto Cabello then approached the American consul here, petitioning him to intervene. The consul accepted this mission and visited the cruiser, but he could obtain no alteration in the decision of the allies.

At 4:45 o'clock a reply was received from President Castro, who authorized the chief official here to give the British commodore ample satisfaction. Before this answer could

be communicated to the American consul the hour stipulated for its receipt had arrived; the cruisers immediately opened fire on the fortress.

The fire was returned from Fort Solana and Castle Libertador, but the Venezuelan guns were soon silenced. While the firing continued there was intense excitement in this port. Every house in town was closed.

Venezuelan government officials claim that two minutes before the firing commenced President Castro's message containing the satisfaction demanded was dispatched to the Charybdis.

OTHER NATIONS AROUSED.

New York, Dec. 16—A cable to the Herald from Caracas says:

"That Argentina and Chili may declare themselves in sympathy with Venezuela and even become her active allies in the pending crisis is a contingency that appears more than possible in the light of today's developments. The Herald correspondent has learned on reliable authority that the government of Argentina, in a dispatch from Buenos Ayres, has instructed its consular representative to report to Buenos Ayres as early as possible what appears to be the attitude of the United States, and what view that government is likely to take of its obligations under the Monroe Doctrine in the face of the aggressive action of Great Britain and Germany."

HOSTILITIES TEMPO-

RARILY OVER.

London, Dec. 16—An expression of a desire for a peaceful settlement of the difficulties has been received from the Venezuelan government.

The under foreign secretary, Lord Cranborne, denied, in the house of commons, that the British commander was responsible for the sinking of the Venezuelan ships.

The Associated Press has reason to believe that orders will or have been sent to the British commander in Venezuela waters to take no further aggressive action at present, pending a decision being arrived at on the proposal for arbitration.

## WANT INVESTIGATION.

LOUISVILLE WAREHOUSES SAY THEY HAVE NOT VIOLATED LAW.

Frankfort, Dec. 16—Attorney General Pratt this morning received letters from officials of the tobacco warehouse companies being fought by the independent company, which is seeking a foothold in Louisville. They invite the attorney general or his representative to come to Louisville and insist that he make a full investigation of charges preferred against them for any violation of law.

## LOST IN THE FLOOD

YOUNG MAN IN MARSHALL COUNTY DROWNED IN SEETHING TORRENT.

Henry Taylor, son of a widow of Almo, down the N. O. and St. L., was drowned yesterday while trying to save some mules. According to the report which reached the city a levee at Clark's river broke and he was swept away and lost. His brother attempted to save him, but failed.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rehkopf of Shreveport, La., are visiting here.

## GRAND JURY REPORTS

Several Indictments Were Returned This Morning.

Quick Work in the Cases of Bitts Owen and Neil Long—Some Cases Dismissed.

## OTHER CIRCUIT COURT NEWS

The grand jury made another report this morning returning the following indictments:

One against Bitts Owen, the young man who held up Marsh Atkinson Saturday night and forced him, at the point of a knife, to give him a pocketbook containing 50 cents in silver and a souvenir penny. The warrant for Owens' arrest and the action of the police court were reported to the grand jury yesterday and it made quick work of the matter. The indictment was accompanied by the record of Owen who was indicted on December 21, 1901 for breaking into the Goodman saloon and convicted and sentenced to one year imprisonment in the penitentiary on the 10th of April, 1902. He received a pardon only a week ago through the influence of friends.

One against Neil Long, the young man who is alleged to have broken into a grip belonging to Horace Clements, at the Pryor boarding house, and taking therefrom a diamond ring valued at \$30 and a pistol valued at \$7. The pistol was sold to Levy, the pawnbroker, but the ring was not recovered. The warrant and the action of the police court were reported to the grand jury yesterday also.

One against B. H. Cobb, of Mayfield, for obtaining \$10 in money from Ina Chappel by false pretenses.

One against B. H. Cobb for obtaining \$10 in money from Alice Feast by false pretenses. Cobb is from Mayfield and had secured the money by representing himself as the agent of the Globe Book Co., of Chicago.

One against Sardus Hart for obtaining money by false pretenses. He is accused of selling a set of harness, belonging to W. T. McCutcheon to O. J. Coleman for \$4, knowing that the harness did not belong to him.

A warrant against Rice Miller for the alleged cutting of Will Skelton was returned marked "dismissed."

A warrant against Charles Sullivan for the alleged striking of Lawrence Armstrong with an iron bar, was returned marked "dismissed."

A. B. Johnson filed a suit against his wife Lula Johnson asking for a divorce on the grounds of abandonment and habitual drunkenness. They were married in Memphis on the 11th of October, 1899.

In the case of Nancy Miller against Alonzo Miller, a judgment for sale of property was filed.

In the case of L. Thomas, Adm., against John Edwards, a judgment for distribution was filed.

The grand jury has not yet taken up the case against Theo Luttrell for violating rules of the board of health requiring vaccination. The county board of health, however, has not abandoned the idea of contesting the case in circuit court.

\* After having been out on the case about half a day, the jury in the Fred

Edmonds case for grand larceny brought in a verdict for one year's imprisonment in the state penitentiary today shortly before 12 o'clock.

Edmonds came here from Cairo several months ago and was boarding at the same boarding house with a railroad man named Arch Johnson who had a fine \$40 watch stolen from under his pillow. He suspected Edmonds and had him arrested. The watch was found on the suspect and he claimed to have purchased it from a negro for 15 cents, all that he had, he explained to Captain Bailey. He claimed he saw a negro pick up the watch from the street, where it had accidentally dropped from Johnson's pocket. His attorneys tried to prove that the watch was not worth \$20, the amount necessary to constitute a charge of grand larceny, but the court held that the original value of \$40, the amount paid for the article by Johnson, had not been depreciated by usage.

The jury still has the case against John Worley and Will Gordon, colored, charged with horse stealing.

The case against Josie Day, colored, charged with stealing a mule from Tom Davis was on trial at press time. The defendant admitted that he had taken the mule but failed to state what he intended to do with other than merely to drive it. He came here on a colored excursion from Cairo and failed to return, he liked the town so well. When he did start to depart he took a mule and overcoat with him in the way of souvenirs.

The judgment against J. J. Keeny was entered for \$40 and costs by Special Judge Oscar Kahn for trespassing on the Rottgering place. The defendant is a railroad contractor. The case was tried several weeks ago and the judgment rendered but not until today was it placed on record.

## TRAIN WRECK.

TWO EXPRESS MESSENGERS BELIEVED TO BE KILLED.

Birmingham, Dec. 16—The south bound limited express No. 1 on the Alabama Great Southern railroad, was wrecked near Moundville, Ala., 60 miles south of here, at 3 a.m. Rail had been removed from near the trestle.

It is known here that two express messengers are missing and are supposed to be dead under the wreck. No passengers are reported killed. The train was en route from Cincinnati to New Orleans.

## GIVEN TO GRAND JURY.

HOLLAND CASE TURNED OVER TO IT BY JUSTICE YOUNG.

The case against Sam Holland, charged with setting up a game, was this afternoon turned over to the grand jury by Justice Jesse Young, before whom the warrant was sworn out. As the justice has no final jurisdiction in such cases and the grand jury is in session, he thought it would save trouble to transfer the case, which was done. The defendant is out on bond.

## A BIG RAILROAD INJUNCTION

Chicago, Dec. 16—Argument for temporary injunction restraining 14 railroads from cutting rates in violation of the Sherman interstate commerce acts, was begun in the United States circuit court of appeals today, Judge Grosscup, of Chicago, and Judge Phillips, of Kansas City, sitting en banc.

## HAVE YOU SUBSCRIBED FOR CHRISTMAS TREE?

Donations for the Christmas tree to be given the poor of the city the day after Christmas by Rev. R. W. Chiles and The Sun continue to come in generously. There remains but eight days more in which to prepare for it and The Sun would again call on those who have not as yet donated to the fund to open up their hearts—and purses—and do so.

This is a work in which all should help. It is charity indeed. Christmas means so much to every one of us, and in planning for its enjoyment we should stop for a few moments and think of those unfortunates who will have no Christmas at all, unless the

generous of heart give it to them. So let everyone, man, woman or child, who has not yet subscribed to this fund send in something. No matter what, small or large, it will be appreciated.

## To The Sun

I inclose herewith

for the Christmas tree to be given the poor of the city the day following Christmas.

## THE MARKETS.

FURNISHED BY ARREZ & GILBERT OF THE PADUCAH COMMISSION CO.

	OPEN	CLOSE
WHEAT—		
December.....	74 1/2	74 1/2
May.....	77 1/2	77 1/2
CORN—		
December.....	54 1/2	54 1/2
May.....	53 1/2	53 1/2
OATS—		
December.....	31 1/2	31 1/2
May.....	31 1/2	31 1/2
PORE—		
January.....	16 1/2	16 1/2
May.....	15 1/2	15 1/2
Lard—		
January.....	9 7/8	9 7/8
May.....	9 1/2	9 1/2
RIBS—		
January.....	8 1/2	8 1/2
May.....	8 3/4	8 3/4
STOCKS—		
U. S. N.....	115 1/2	115 1/2
U. S. S.....	40 1/2	40 1/2
U. S. P.....	8 1/2	8 1/2
U. S. C.....	31 1/2	31 1/2
U. S. F.....	30 1/2	30 1/2